

Thailand situation update on 25 September 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	231,927,184	482,434	
Deaths	4,751,783		2.05%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number
Total number of new cases	11,975
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported) 	19
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found in prisons 	92
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission) 	10,651
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found from active case finding (Local transmission) 	1,213
Total number of confirmed cases	1,549,285
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total recovered and discharged from hospitals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals 	1,408,602 (90.91%) 14,700
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undergoing treatment 	124,540 (9.09)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deaths <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New deaths 	16,143 (1.04%) 127

The Coronavirus Disease 2019 Situation

by Emergency Operations Center, Department of Disease Control

Screening, Testing, and PUI	Total Number
Total number of people screened	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports) 	9,163,305
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana 	686,824
Total number of laboratory tests	3,568,398
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who met the PUI criteria 	3,138,544
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Returnees in quarantine facilities/centers 	84,120
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who did not meet the PUI criteria 	345,734
Total number of people who met the criteria of PUI	3,138,544
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detected from ports of entry 	6,186
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (911,433 cases in private hospitals, and 2,195,191 cases in public hospitals) 	3,132,270
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups, and U-Tapao 	88

Remark: *PUI (Patients Under Investigation)

Characteristics of Deaths (16,143 deaths)	Wave: 1 Jan - 14 Dec 2020 (60 deaths)	Wave: 15 Dec 2020 - 31 Mar 2021 (34 deaths)	Wave: 1 April 2021 - now (16,049 deaths)
Case Fatality Rate (CFR) in each age group			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15 - 39 years old 	0.20%	0.02%	0.14%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 40 - 59 years old 	2.10%	0.02%	1.05%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60+ years old 	6.50%	2.60%	7.98%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <1 year old (2 deaths) 			
Percentage of COVID-19 deaths that consist of elderly patients, patients with underlying diseases including obesity, or pregnant patients			
	64%	100%	89%

3. Thailand Implementations

- Phuket Province together with Phuket Provincial Public Health Office have piloted the Astrazeneca booster vaccination using intradermal (ID) injection regimen for people who have got 2 doses of Sinovac vaccine. The new regimen is based on the operational research done in volunteers by the Vachira Phuket Hospital team. The investigation result had shown that the amount of vaccine used was 5 times less but can induce immunity almost the same as the intramuscular injection and had mild side effects.
- The Center for COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA) has prepared to extend the implementation of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005) for another two months so that the transition period will be smoothly carried out. In addition, it will also propose to postpone the opening of pilot sandbox areas in 5 provinces from 1 October 2021 to 1 November 2021.
- The Social Security Office has issued a measure to pay for medical services regarding the RT-PCR COVID-19 testing for establishments or factories participating in the Factory Sandbox project in 4 major manufacturing sectors in 7 pilot provinces. The 1,700 Baht payment per testing will include the testing fee (1,500 Baht) and consultation fee (200 Baht).

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

According to the COVID-19 situation monitoring, as of September 25, 2021, Thailand has had 1,549,285 cumulated confirmed cases. Today, there are 11,975 new cases with 127 deaths of whom most are at-risk groups of severe illness. The Ministry of Public Health (MOPH), therefore, encourages these groups of people to receive vaccination service as soon as possible when it becomes available. The at-risk groups include the elderly aged 60 years and over, people who have the 7 chronic diseases, and the 12 week and over pregnant women. In addition, the public are advised to maintain strict disease prevention measures such as wearing masks, washing hands, keeping physical distance from others and avoiding unnecessary travel, especially to high-risk areas .